

## **Air Force Library & Information System**

### **CORE ELECTRONIC RESOURCES**

The Air Force Library & Information System centrally funds the following research tools for library customers.

**FirstSearch** – a worldwide web resource, available through Online Computer Library Center, (OCLC), a nonprofit organization that provides computer-based cataloging, reference, resource sharing and preservation service to libraries worldwide. Provides access to over 60 separate databases covering business, legal, education, medical topics, plus many others. Millions of documents are available online for immediate printing (full-text) or e-mail delivery to your desktop. Easy to search by subjects and keywords.

**InfoTrac** – a worldwide web resource providing full-text articles and news on a broad range of topics. Includes six subject specific databases: military, business, literature, general reference, literature, and expanded academic. Or, use the InfoTrac OneFile for your one-stop source to information on all of these topics. Articles are available online for immediate printing or e-mail delivery to your desktop. Google links provide additional research opportunities. Updated daily.

**Peterson's College Guides** – Provides the latest in education and college opportunities. Covers seven distinct areas from educational searches, online books, online practice CLEP tests, writing resumes, career resources, articles about educational issues, and related links.

**Countrywatch** – A leading supplier of high quality country-specific geopolitical information. Each country review contains political, economic, corporate, and environmental content in a standard format for all countries recognized by the U.S. State Department. Information is updated to keep pace with major country changes and all reviews are fully revised twice a year.

**Jane's Military Biographies** – A subscription service that updated monthly and includes information on the background, career and relevant military experience of senior defense official throughout the world

**Stratfor** – Provider of global intelligence. It creates and delivers in-depth, real-time intelligence analysis and forecasting on geo-economics, geo-security, and geopolitical affairs. Stratfor uses its proprietary methodology to gather relevant data, conduct analysis and create global intelligence forecasts.

**Newsbank** – Consists of two major databases, Access News and Global Newbank. Access News is a comprehensive news resource consisting of regional, national and international sources. Global Newsbank offers students and researchers varying perspectives on world issues and events including a wealth of articles on topics taken from hard-to-find sources.

**Social Issues Research Service (SIRS)** – An integrated search environment for SIRS full-text reference databases: SIRS Researcher, a general database with articles exploring social, scientific, health, history, economic, business, political and global issues; SIRS Government Reporter, a source for current and historic government documents, U.S. Supreme Court decisions, information about Federal departments, agencies, elected leaders and more; SIRS Renaissance, current perspectives on the arts and humanities; and SIRS Discoverer Deluxe, quick access to children's research database with a search interface designed specifically for children.

**NetLibrary** – A collection of over 4,000 reference and military titles via the WWW. Its is searchable by subject, author, or title. The collection includes many CLIFF Notes, classic works, and reference titles. Books can be browsed, read online, for checked out for 48 hours.